Potato and Sweetpotato in Africa
Transforming the Value Chains for Food and Nutrition Security

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A comprehensive examination of the fastest expanding food crops in sub-Saharan Africa

Potato and sweetpotato are two of the most important crop plants in the world, and of increasing prominence in sub-Saharan Africa. Expanding faster than any other food crops in the region, demand has never been higher, and their value as nutritious, short-duration crops to fill gaps in cereal supply is increasingly being recognized.

Capturing the recent advances made in tackling the bottlenecks facing potato and sweetpotato value chains, this book reviews six main themes. It begins with recent advances in breeding, before addressing potato and sweetpotato seed systems, disease and crop management, and innovations in marketing, processing and value chain management. Concluding by comprehensively reviewing the literature on nutritional value and product acceptance, it forms a complete reference on recent research concerning potato and sweetpotato in Africa for researchers of agricultural economics, international development and tropical agriculture. Also covering policies for germplasm exchange, food security and trade, this book provides a valuable resource for private sector companies and public sector actors looking to invest in the crops.

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